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TRUE PROSPERITY

A Meditation on Psalm 37:1-11
by

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Do you ever question God's goodness or government of the world? In Psalm 37, David wrestles with the problem of the prosperity of the wicked as contrasted with the adversity of the righteous, and he shows that both are only temporary — there will be a reversal. He seeks to counsel and encourage those who are depressed over the apparent success of the ungodly by reminding them that God's judgment will fall on them in due time — if not in this life, then in the next. He even gives an illustration of such a judgment in this life (vv 35-36).

In the meantime, he instructs the believer to trust completely in the infinitely wise, sovereign God and wait with a patient faith for Him to act and set things right. Most of all, he exhorts, don't complain over the situation; don't worry about it. Also remember that in God's government of the world, time as well as trust is a factor; therefore wait for God to act in His time. And recognize that God is working on a far grander scale than we mere mortals could ever possibly imagine. If we could see the whole picture instead of just part of the picture, many of these perplexities would vanish. But we are finite creatures with limitations of time and space; we do not have the perspective that God has, and we should constantly remember this when we are tempted to doubt. Psalm 37 points out the need for such a proper perspective -- for the big view, not just the here and now or our limited circumstances. Stated another way, David had a problem with the apparent inconsistency connected with the prosperity of the wicked. But although he was tempted to doubt God's goodness, he nevertheless quieted his own mind (and that of his readers) by appealing for patience and confidence in God's future work.

Psalm 37 is a wisdom psalm. In wisdom literature, the authors sometimes wrestle with some great problem that faces men, such as in the books of Job and Habakkuk and in Psalms 37; 49; 73. Psalm 37, then, has a didactic, or teaching, character. Actually, it consists of a series of thoughts often expressed in a proverbial manner, and in that respect the psalm is similar to the book of Proverbs. Psalm 37 is one of the acrostic, alphabetic psalms. Because of this and because of a structure similar to that of Proverbs, it is difficult to outline except in the most general way:

- I. Pertinent Counsel for the Depressed (37:1-11)
- II. Prospective Calamity of the Degenerate (37:12-22)
- III. Personal Confession of David (37:23-31)
- IV. Purposeful Contrast of Destiny (37:32-40)



Is the prosperity that the wicked are enjoying, and that the righteous are perplexed about, true prosperity? To those who are depressed over this problem, David gives the following advice in verses 1-11:

- A. The Negative Approach to the Counsel (37:1-2).
 - 1. Don't fret because evildoers seem to be prospering (37:1a; cf. vv
 - Don't be envious of the things wrongdoers appear to be enjoying (37:1b).
 - 3. The reason for the counsel: The prosperity of the wicked is only temporary; they will be judged (37:2; cf. vv 9, 20).
- B. The Positive Approach to the Counsel (37:3-11).
 - 1. Trust completely in the Lord (37:3a).
 - 2. Be occupied with doing good instead of being occupied with those who are doing evil (37:3a; cf. Rom. 12:21).
 - 3. Be faithful and live by faith in the place of His promised blessings (37:3b).
 - 4. Delight yourself in the Lord (37:4).
 - 5. Commit the whole course of your life to the Lord (37:5-6).
 - 6. Leave everything absolutely in God's hands, waiting patiently for Him to act instead of taking things into your own hands (37:7).
 - 7. Don't be incensed over suffering some injustice (37:8).
 - 8. The reason for the counsel: The wicked will be cut off, but the meek will receive the promised blessings (37:9-11).

True prosperity, then, is not having an abundance of material possessions (see v 16); rather, it is the recognition that without the Lord we are incomplete, but that with Him we have everything we need — certainly everything that is most important in life. Consider again the major thrusts of these verses:



Trust <u>in the Lord</u> (v 3)!

Delight yourself <u>in the Lord</u> (v 4)!

Commit your way <u>to the Lord</u> (v 5)!

Be still <u>before the Lord</u> (v 7)!

Shalom!

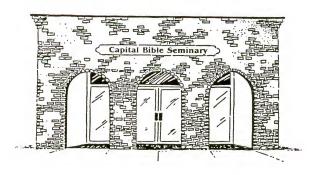


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Administration, Staff







Service with a SMILE!







The Vice-President hard at work!





Wilma:

A model of dedication and diligence; quite a lady.





The War Room: Nerve center of the Seminary.



Some of the battle fatigued troops!!!

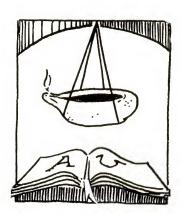
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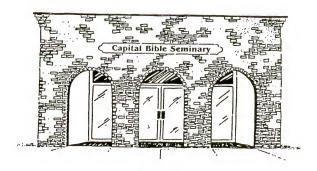
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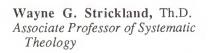




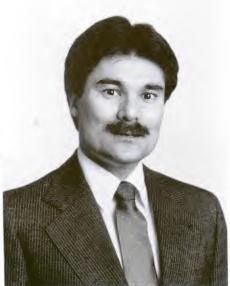
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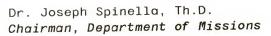




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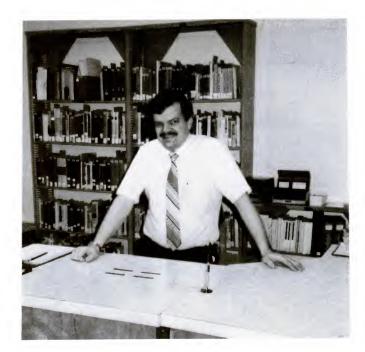




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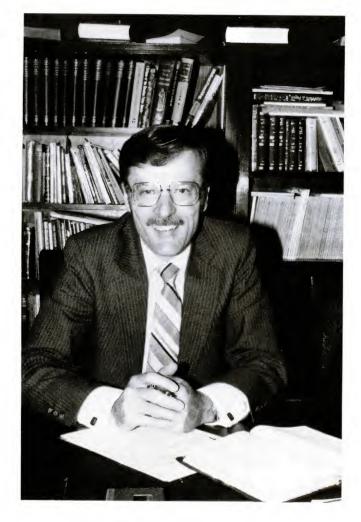




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The Relationship between

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Dr. Erwin Lutzer Ministry in the 80's



Dr. John Whitcomb 113 Major Prophets Summer School June 20 - July 1

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We have experienced . . .

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Men Worthy to be Called Mentors









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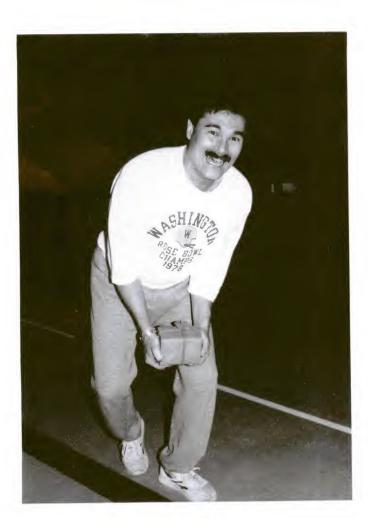
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. . . Thanks for the Pizza Party, Wilma!



. . . They laugh



. . and sing



. . . and talk to plants??

Smile









New Faculty Regalia



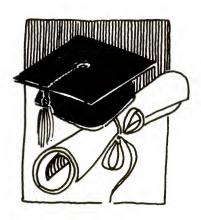
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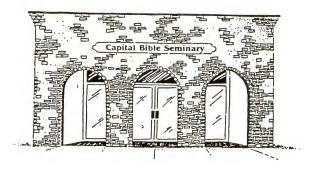




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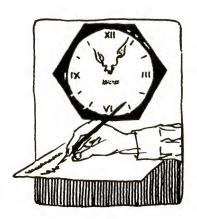


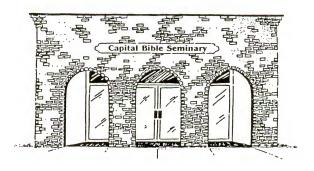
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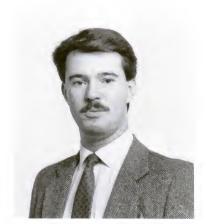












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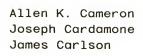














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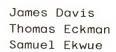














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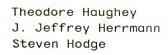














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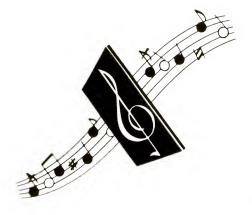




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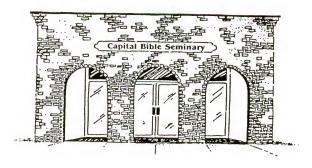






Organizations







LEFT TO RIGHT Standing: Dave Miller, Ray Harbaugh Don Calder, Paul Thompson, Brian Smith, Dan Willoughby Seated: Dr. Strickland (Advisor), Skip Sharrer, Barry Goodson



"The treasurer is on vacation Where?!!!"

"You gentlemen are charged with the responsibility of locating the student council treasurer."





"Isn't this a strange coincidence? Our account balance is down to zero and our treasurer is nowhere to be found!"



WIVES FELLOWSHIP 1987-88

LEFT TO RIGHT: Mrs. Dyer (Advisor), Mrs. Fletcher (Advisor), Pat Miller, Andrea Brunner, Mrs. Harton (Advisor), Carol Harbaugh, Deb Willoughby, Merna Abernathy, Suzanne Willoughby



A typical planning session.

Wive's Fellowship featured various special speakers who gave insights into various aspects of the ministry.







Student wives were offered special sessions designed to enhance skills in various crafts.

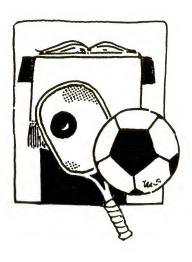


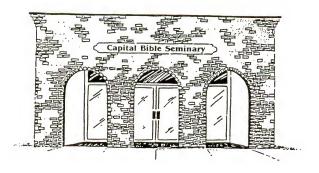






Student Ministries





Student Missions



Jeff Sanders shares his summer ministry in China (Summer 1987) with fellow students in chapel. Jeff Sanders was one of the student body missions projects in 1986–87.



Ray Harbaugh, the CBS student council Missions Director regularly keeps students appraised of progress toward the goal of \$6000.00 to be raised by the student body for the support of the mission projects.









Missionaries, several of whom were alumni, presented the ongoing challenge for the eighties.



Seminary students familiarize themselves with the many open doors in foreign missions.

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A valuable feature of the missionary conference was the panel forum. $\,$





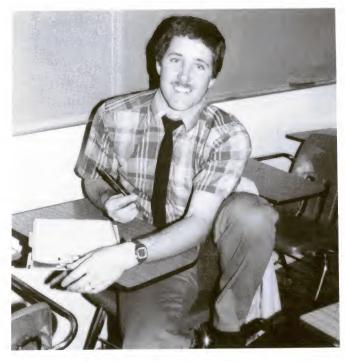






CBS students were active in various other ministries such as Christmas for the needy and the annual March for Life Rally in Washington, D.C. $\,$





. . . Taking valuable notes



. . . Praying



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Annual tourney



East meets West





Long Live the NIV!



I should have stayed in Haiti

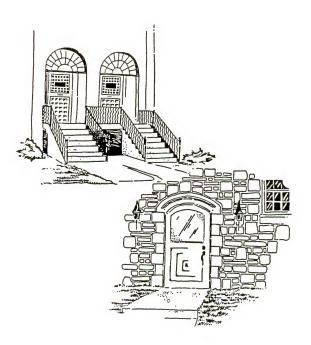


Korean Fellowship



Eating the profits

Anniversary Reflections





The property at 1443-45 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W. was acquired in 1946 to house the ministry of the Washington Bible Institute (later changed to College), and in 1951, the 1441 building was added to the College complex.

A Seminary class, 1962-63





Students at the "downtown property" the last year of Seminary occupancy (Spring, 1972). Dr. Mulholland standing on the third step.

Pastor Jackson. Note the For Sale Sign. Moving Day is fast approaching!



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A Quick check of the Green Book. Seminary Registration!



Did you hear the one about. . .?







Uh Oh! Is that really what it says in the Greek?!





Classes in Linton Hall: If you get no sympathy in the Assistant Dean/Registrar's Office, it's because Dr. Beall has been there himself (last row on the right).







Dr. Heater bearing the shovel



Mr. Miles

NEW QUARTERS!





Going Up

Coming Down

Finished at last in all its Wren Baroque charm. The building was dedicated on April 21, 1979, and occupied in the summer.



"Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. . "

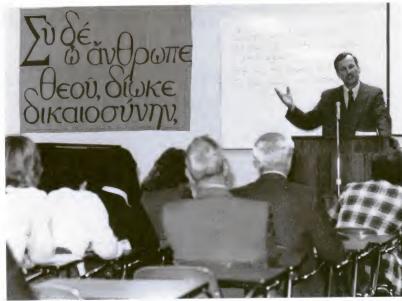
Ps 100:4





Have you seen my Captain Marvel comic book!?

Proclaim Christ!



We Love You Uncle

JOHNNY

STATHI

LAURA

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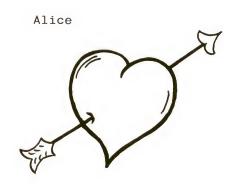
Johnny!!!

Momie

Jeff,

I am proud of what you have accomplished. Your life has been a great encouragement to me. As we start our lives together, I pray that we will keep our eyes fixed on Him, who deserves all of the glory!

I Love You Jeffy-Bear!!!!!







"But if it were I, I would appeal to God; I would lay my cause before Him . He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted.

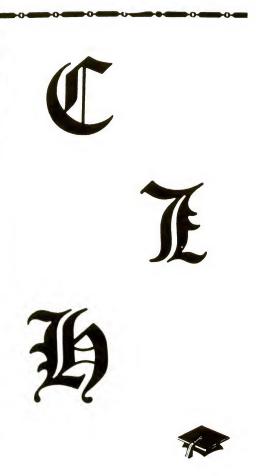
Job 5:8,9

Measure thy life by loss and not by gain, not by the wine drunk, but by the wine poured forth. For love's strength standeth in love's sacrifice, and he who suffers most has most to give.

Unknown



Love to Carol from her family.





GOD REACHED, THE TOUCH WAS HUMAN

Iron Sharpens iron, So one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 27:17





KAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKAKA

CONGRATULATIONS!

Olu Ijatuyi (B.Th; M.Div.; Th.M.)

Glory be to God for yet another scholastic attainment. again proved that success can be achieved through hard work, persistence and courage. You are a model and we are really proud of you. Surely our family and those of Ijatuyi and Ogunlade rejoice with you for this big success. More grease to your elbows!

> Dr. & Mrs. Olowomeye & Family



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WE MADE IT!!!

"Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us and let us run with patience the race that is set before us. Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Heb. 12:1-2

We began our life together with these words 8 years ago and today I am more convinced of the gift that God has called you to as we begin our life anew. We've learned many lessons from the years and we've grown, the sacrifices many, but now in God's grace and mercy we made it! No one is as proud of you today as your wife and son. We Love You!

Lynne & Timmy



Congratulations raduates!

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